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DECREASED ACTIVITY COASTAL TRANSSHIPMENT POINTS NORTH VIETNAM

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QUANG KHE
17-42N 106-28E

DONG HOI
17-27N 106-37E

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6 SL-1
2 SL-3/4
2 WUHO YAK
3 LCM
3 CARGO BARGES
1 POL BARGE
80 WBLG
5 K-61 AMPHIBIANS
15 TRUCKS

EXTENSIVE SUPPLIES

THONG NHAT (NVN)



SUBSTANTIAL SUPPLIES

2 LCM
7 SAMPANS
1 TRUCK

LIMITED SUPPLIES

5 SAMPANS
1 FERRY WITH MOTOR LAUNCH
1 DAMAGED LCM
1 CARGO BARGE
1 TRUCK

LIMITED SUPPLIES

4 SAMPANS
1 TRUCK

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE REDUCTION OF STORAGE AND TRANSSHIPPING ACTIVITY AT THE MAJOR COASTAL TRANSSHIPMENT POINTS IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION: QUANG KHE COASTAL TRANSSHIPMENT POINT (17 42N-106 28E,
 AND DONG HOI COASTAL TRANSSHIPMENT POINT (17 27N-106 37E,

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3. BACKGROUND: QUANG KHE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN THE SITE OF CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY, ASSOCIATED WITH RESUPPLY ACTIVITY TO THE SOUTH. DURING THE 1967 TET TRUCE, NUMEROUS WATERBORNE LOGISTICS CRAFT (WBLC), INCLUDING SL-1S, WERE OBSERVED. THEY ACCOUNTED FOR A MAJOR PORTION OF THE LOGISTICS EFFORT. HOWEVER, NO LARGE WBLC WERE OBSERVED AT QUANG KHE DURING THE 1967-1968 HOLIDAY TRUCE PERIOD. QUANG KHE WAS REACTIVATED AS A TRANSSHIPMENT POINT (TSP) AFTER THE 1 NOVEMBER 1968 BOMBING HALT, AND HAS BEEN OBSERVED WITH A CONTINUOUS HIGH LEVEL OF ACTIVITY THROUGH EARLY THIS YEAR. THE PEAK OF THIS ACTIVITY WAS ON  WHEN, AMONG NUMEROUS OTHER LOGISTICS VESSELS, TWENTY-ONE SL-1 CRAFT WERE OBSERVED.

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BACKGROUND: (CONT.)

DONG HOI WAS SUBJECTED TO REPEATED AIRSTRIKES, LIMITING ACTIVITY THERE TO A MINIMUM. HOWEVER, PHOTOGRAPHY AFTER THE BOMBING HALT REVEALED THAT DONG HOI HAD EMERGED AS A MAJOR TRANSSHIPMENT POINT.

4. READOUT:

QUANG KHE [REDACTED] REVEALED HEAVY ACTIVITY AT THE QUANG KHE TRANSSHIPMENT POINT. THE NORTH VIETNAMESE FREIGHTER "THONG NHAT" WAS BEING OFFLOADED USING LCMS AND BARGES IN A LIGHTERING PROCEDURE, AND A LARGE POL BARGE WAS ALSO PRESENT. ALSO INCLUDED IN THE WATERBORNE ACTIVITY WERE 3 BARGES, 3 LCMS, 2 WUHU YAKS, 6 SL-1S, 2 SL-3/4S, AND NUMEROUS SMALLER WBLC. EXTENSIVE SUPPLIES WERE OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

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[REDACTED] REVEALS A MARKED DECREASE IN ACTIVITY AT THE QUANG KHE TSP. ONLY FIVE SAMPANS, 1 FERRY WITH A MOTOR LAUNCH, 1 DAMAGED LCM, 1 CARGO BARGE AND 1 TRUCK ARE OBSERVED. ALSO PRESENT ARE LIMITED SUPPLIES.

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DONG HOI [REDACTED] REVEALED TWO NEWLY CONSTRUCTED T-HEAD PIERS AT THE DONG HOI TSP. TWO LCMS AND 6 SAMPANS WERE OBSERVED AT ANCHOR AND ONE SAMPAN WAS MOORED AT ONE OF THE PIERS. NUMEROUS PERSONNEL AND STACKS OF MATERIAL IN OPEN STORAGE WERE PRESENT AT THAT TIME.

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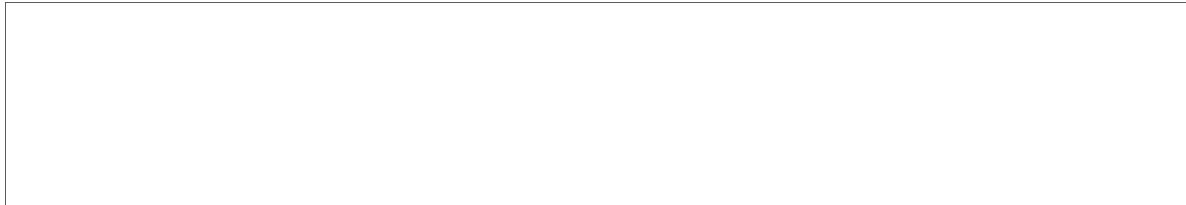
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DECREASE IN ACTIVITY AT THE DONG HOI TRANSSHIPMENT POINT. ONLY 4 SAMPANS ARE OBSERVED AT ONE OF THE T-HEAD PIERS, AND ONE TRUCK IS OBSERVED OPPOSITE THE SAME PIER. THE OTHER PIER IS TOTALLY VACANT. LIMITED SUPPLIES ARE OBSERVED.

5. REMARKS: THIS DECREASE IN ACTIVITY HAS BEEN OBSERVED SINCE JANUARY 1969. IN ADDITION, NORTH VIETNAMESE MERCHANT SHIPS HAVE NOT BEEN OBSERVED AT THE HONLA ISLAND ANCHORAGE WHERE BARGES LIGHTERED CARGO TO QUANG KHE DURING NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 1968.

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